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SONGS AND DRAMA DIVISION
Sarma Dr. Arun Kumar

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assessment has been made on the role played by Songs and Drama Division in the North-Eastern Region;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Songs and Drama Division has been able to fulfil the desired objectives in the North East;

(d) if so, the details of contribution made in the field of national integration as well as promotion of local arts;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the specific action plan drawn for promotion and propogation of various arts of the region including Satriya during tenth Plan period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a): No formal assessment has been made in this regard.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. During the year 2004-05, the Guwahati Regional Centre of Song and Drama Division presented 2930 programmes on various subjects including national integration, utilizing local art forms of North-eastern Region.

(e): Does not arise.

(f): During the Tenth Plan period, Rs. 220 lakhs has been provided under Plan Schemes for presenting 5867 programmes on propagation of various Government programmes and schemes utilizing various art forms of North-eastern Region including 'Satriya'.